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Transmitted herewith for filing under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) is a new utility patent application for an invention entitled:

MAXIMIZING THE EFFICACY OF THIOCYANATE SCAVENGERS IN OILFIELD BRINES

and invented by:

Joel F. Carpenter; Bonnie G. McKinnie; Tehen Tsao

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1. ☒ Filing fee as calculated and transmitted as described below
2. ☒ Specification having 11 pages and including the following:
 - a. ☒ Descriptive Title of the Invention
 - b. ☐ Cross References to Related Applications (*if applicable*)
 - c. ☐ Statement Regarding Federally-sponsored Research/Development (*if applicable*)
 - d. ☐ Reference to Sequence Listing, a Table, or a Computer Program Listing Appendix
 - e. ☒ Background of the Invention
 - f. ☒ Brief Summary of the Invention
 - g. ☐ Brief Description of the Drawings (*if filed*)
 - h. ☒ Detailed Description
 - i. ☒ Claim(s) as Classified Below
 - j. ☒ Abstract of the Disclosure

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3. ☐ Drawing(s) (when necessary as prescribed by 35 USC 113)
- a. ☐ Formal Number of Sheets _____
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4. ☒ Oath or Declaration
- a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy) ☐ Unexecuted
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional application only)
- c. ☒ With Power of Attorney ☐ Without Power of Attorney
- d. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application,
see 37 C.F.R. 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
5. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked)
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6. ☐ CD ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
7. ☐ Application Data Sheet (See 37 CFR 1.76)
8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all must be included)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. ☐ Specification Sequence Listing on:
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- ii. ☐ Paper
- c. ☐ Statement(s) Verifying Identical Paper and Computer Readable Copy

Accompanying Application Parts

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(B) Statement (when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
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17. ☒ Additional Enclosures *(please identify below)*:

Appointment of Associate Attorney - John F. Sieberth

Request That Application Not Be Published Pursuant To 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)

18. ☒ Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2), Applicant hereby requests that this patent application not be published pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(1). Applicant hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing of the application.

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An applicant who makes a request not to publish, but who subsequently files in a foreign country or under a multilateral international agreement specified in 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i), must notify the Director of such filing not later than 45 days after the date of the filing of such foreign or international application. A failure of the applicant to provide such notice within the prescribed period shall result in the application being regarded as abandoned, unless it is shown to the satisfaction of the Director that the delay in submitting the notice was unintentional.

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Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>					\$280.00
BASIC FEE					\$750.00
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Dated: Aug. 19, 2003


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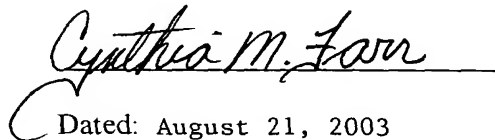
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I hereby certify that the correspondence stapled hereto and identified below is being deposited by me with the United States Postal Service as EXPRESS MAIL in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on August 21, 2003. The number of the "Express Mail" mailing label placed thereon prior to mailing is EU768964259US.

Said correspondence consists of the following:

- (1) Four-Page Utility Patent Application Transmittal Letter (Large Entity); - (Page 4 in Duplicate);
- (2) One-page Appointment of Associate Attorney (John F. Sieberth, Registration No. 17,704);
- (3) 11- page Patent Application (Specification, Claims and Abstract of the Disclosure);
- (4) 2-page Executed Declaration, Power of Attorney and Petition by Inventors: Joel F. Carpenter; Bonnie G. McKinnie; Techen Tsao; and
- (5) 1-page Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i).

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	Title	Maximizing the Efficacy of Thiocyanate Scavengers in Oilfield Brines	
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I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not be** the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

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